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APPLICATION OF) GROUP NO.: 1626
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<u>COMMUNICATION IN RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION</u>

Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

This Communication is in response to the Office Action dated October 31, 2003. A one-month period of time was set for response to the Office Action, bringing a response to be due on or before November 30, 2003. A three-month petition for extension of time to respond to the Office Action accompanies this Communication, bringing a response to be due on or before Sunday, Feburary 29, 2004, which is extended by operation of 37 C.F.R. Section 1.7 to Monday, March 1, 2004. The Office is authorized to charge any additional fees to Deposit Account No. 50-2510.

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The Office Action restricts the invention into Classes I through VII. Applicants traverse the restriction for the reasons set forth in the Amendment filed August 28, 2003. However, to remove issues and advance the case, Applicants hereby elect the claims of Group V set forth on page 3 of the October 31, 2003 Office Action, that is to say Claims 1-3 drawn to a compound of the formula (I) wherein Z is a 6-membered heterocyclic ring.

If election of a particular compound is needed to begin examination, Applicants hereby elect the compound of the formula ID-1 shown, among other places, on page 71 of the specification.

Examination of the claims are respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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